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Attorney Docket No. 22578.3
First Inventor Dennis R. Ulbrich
Title Locking System for Gooseneck
Express Mail Label No. EL411329907US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☐ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
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 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
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 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
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 - Claim(s)
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9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement of Power of Attorney (when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
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1. Utility Patent Application Transmittal Sheet;
2. Utility Patent Application (specification, claims, abstract; 25 sheets);
3. Drawings (17 sheets);
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5. Acknowledgement Postcard.

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